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On Sunday, there was a campus-wide flashmob modeled after the popular song "Gangnam Style" with Richard Yoon '13 acting as PSY, the artist behind the Korean hit.

JAMES X. SUN

REPORTER'S NOTEBOOK

Pitch Contest finale

Awards given for 60-second pitches

By Jingyun Fan
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

In true MIT style, this year's Elevator Pitch Contest — part of the $100K Entrepreneurship Competition — was full of cosplay and nerdy puns, reminding us that entrepreneurship is fun! The audience was given red balloon-drumsticks, emblazoned with "100K," with which to make as much noise as possible. The theme of the night was "superheroes." Hosts were dressed as Avengers superheroes, who represented each of the five competition tracks — Emerging Markets, Energy, Life Sciences, Mobile, Products & Services, and Web/IT.

The night's keynote speaker was Rahim Fazal, founder and CEO of Involver, a social media management company that was acquired by Oracle this July. Fazal recalled his early days as an entrepreneur, when he started his own web-hosting com-

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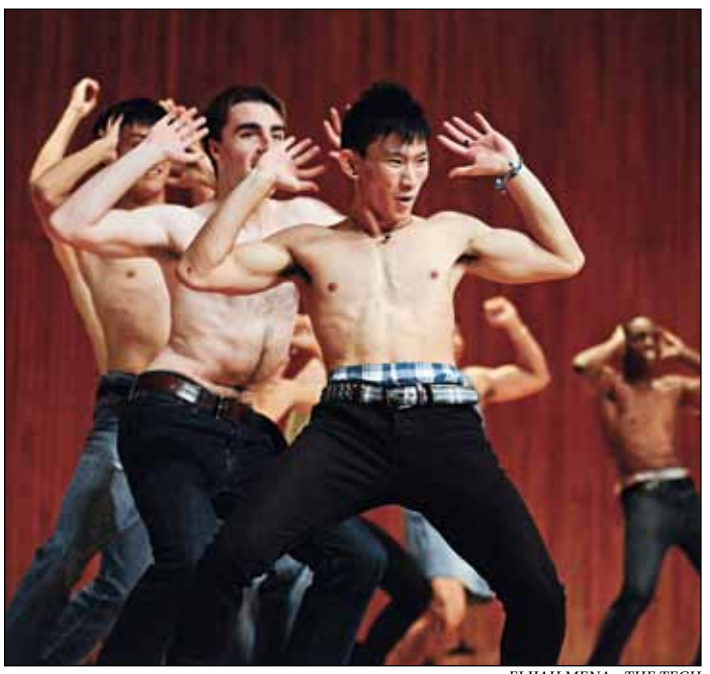

ELIJAH MENA—THE TECH

Kevin Marume (center) and other brothers from PKT dance to a theme about becoming a man. Their choreography included songs such as "I'll Make a Man Out of You" from Mulan and "Sexy and I Know It" by LMFAO. The event, held Sunday evening in Kresge, featured dancing, singing, and comedies performed by fraternities and sororities.

City boycotts Le Méridien

Hotel workers seek MIT's endorsement of boycott

By Sara Hess

Workers at Le Méridien Hotel, located at 20 Sidney Street in Cambridge, are seeking MIT's endorsement of a boycott on the hotel. The boycott began on Oct. 11 and is in response to what the workers say is management's refusal to respond to a request that hotel employees be permitted to consider the option of unionization without managerial interference. In reference to the Le Méridien labor dispute, Nate Nickerson, MIT's director of communications, informed *The Tech*, "MIT's general practice is not to assess the business actions of other organizations."

As of the time of writing, MIT continues to recommend Le Méridien as a place to stay in Cambridge for out of town guests of the Institute. Le Méridien is also a "preferred" vendor of MIT, indicating that the hotel provides MIT affiliates with preferential discounts. (MIT classifies hotels as preferred and partner, with the latter characterized as the best options.)

The Institute has a long history with the hotel at 20 Sidney Street, which was originally a partnership between MIT and Forest City Enterprises and operated under the name "The Hotel@MIT." In 2007, MIT sold the hotel to HEI Hotels & Resorts, a hotel investment group. According to the City of Cambridge's Property database, MIT continues to own the land underneath of the hotel and rents it to HEI Hotels on a long-term lease.

Le Méridien workers claim that their working conditions began to deteriorate after the 2007 sale. According to Heather Nichols, a front desk associate at Le Méridien, "There used to be over 100 people working here. But since HEI took over they've been cutting staff. We are now down to around 70." Workers claim that as a result of the cuts they end up performing multiple functions at the Hotel.

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Employee healthcare changes

MIT employees will see changes to their healthcare benefits and premiums in 2013 as MIT conforms to the requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Signed into law by Obama in 2010, the PPACA established a timetable for implementing healthcare changes, the nearest of which is Jan. 1.

According to the MIT Human Resources website, the limit for Health Care Flexible Spending Accounts will decrease to $2,500 from $8,000, though the Dependent Care Flexible Spending Account will remain at $5,000. Certain FDA-approved contraceptives will no longer require a co-pay. These include IUDs and any injectable, emergency, diaphragm-based, and oral contraceptives that are either generic or have no generic equivalent. Also, the employer cost of health insurance plus the employee's costs will be listed on W-2 forms. A summary of benefit coverage will be available beginning November 2012.

Also beginning in 2013, the average increase to health plan premiums will be $13 a month, both dental coverage annual maximum and orthodontic coverage maximum benefit will increase to $1,750 from $1,500, and dental premiums will increase $3.50 a month. Dependent life insurance coverage will be available to age 26.

Employees also need to provide documentation of their dependents by Nov. 9 (Dec. 1 for faculty), or risk losing dependent coverage.

An information session about these changes will be held in 66-110 on Oct. 25, 12–1:30 p.m., and at the Lincoln Labs auditorium on Oct. 29, 9:30–11 a.m.

The changes can be found at *http://hrweb.mit.edu/benefits/open-enrollment.*

—Bruno B. F. Faviero

IN SHORT

The PSC's Underclassmen Giving Campaign is underway! Stop by Lobby 10 all this week to donate, or go to *http://giving.mit.edu/underclassmen-campaign.*

Have an idea for MIT's IDEAS Global Challenge? Submit an initial proposal tonight by 11:59 p.m. for a chance to win up to $10k. Details at *http://globalchallenge.mit.edu.*

Check out MIT's Presidential Election Conference this Friday! The event starts at 8:30 a.m. in the Media Lab's Bartos Theater. Register at *http://cesf.mit.edu/electoral2012.*

Send news information and tips to *news@tech.mit.edu.*

WANT YOUR NAME IN THE TECH?

The easiest way is to join! Check it off your list of 101 things to do before you graduate!

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Russian lawmakers cite US rights abuses

MOSCOW — During a day of old-school America-bashing in the Russian Parliament on Monday, a series of lawmakers took the podium to catalog rights violations perpetrated by Americans over the years, including waterboarding, Ku Klux Klan lynchings and the abuse of children adopted from Russia.

Monday's parliamentary hearing, titled "On Problems in the Observation of Human Rights by the United States of America," was the first of its kind since the breakup of the Soviet Union, and comes as Russia's leaders employ progressively colder rhetoric toward the United States.

The shift in tone is equal and opposite to one that took place in 2009, when President Barack Obama was making overtures to Russia and perceptions of the United States began to warm up.

These days, hawkish commentators are back on the air, accusing Washington of supporting political forces opposed to President Vladimir Putin. Monday's hearings were reminiscent of Soviet days, when the Young Communist League organized rallies in support of Angela Davis, the radical activist.

—Ellen Barry, The New York Times

Italy convicts seven for failure to warn of quake

ROME — Seven prominent Italian earthquake experts were convicted of manslaughter Monday and sentenced to six years for failing to give adequate warning to the residents of a seismically active area in the months preceding a fatal earthquake that killed more than 300 people.

Speaking in a hushed courtroom in L'Aquila, the city whose historic center was gutted by the earthquake, the judge, Marco Billi, read a long list of names of those who died or were injured in the disaster before he handed down the sentences to six scientists and a government official.

The defendants, who said they would appeal the decision, will also have to pay court costs and damages of $10.2 million, and are banned from pursuing public office.

The seven, most of them prominent seismologists and geologists, were members of a National Commission for the Forecast and Prevention of Major Risks, which met shortly before the quake struck but did not issue a safety warning, even after a period of heightened seismic activity in the area.

—Elisabetta Povoledo, The New York Times

Iran's president levels an attack against a rival official

TEHRAN, Iran — President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad of Iran aimed an unusual verbal attack against the government's highest judicial official on Monday, signaling a new phase in deteriorating relations between top Iranian leaders as the country's economic conditions and isolation over the disputed nuclear program worsen.

Ahmadinejad was responding to the head of Iran's powerful judiciary, Ayatollah Sadegh Larijani, who on Sunday denied the president access to Tehran's Evin prison, where Ahmadinejad's top press adviser has been held since September on charges of publishing offensive material and insulting the supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.

A judiciary spokesman said Ahmadinejad was told that his planned visit to the imprisoned adviser, Ali Akbar Javanfekr, would be "inappropriate" and divert attention from Iran's economic problems, which Ahmadinejad's political rivals in the government blame more on what they call his mismanagement than on the effects of the harsh Western sanctions on Iran over the nuclear program.

—Thomas Erdbrink, The New York Times

Lebanon and Jordan move to contain Syria-related violence

By David D. Kirkpatrick and Neil MacFarquhar
THE NEW YORK TIMES

BEIRUT — Lebanon and Jordan moved aggressively Monday to squelch the spread of violence from Syria's deadlocked civil war, the most significant register yet of alarm over the strife spilling over Syrian borders.

Lebanese army tanks and armored personnel carriers rolled into the streets of Beirut and Tripoli to stop a night of gunfights as the Lebanese military issued an extraordinary statement urging sectarian and political leaders to refrain from incitement to pull the country back from the brink.

"The country's fate is at risk," the statement said. "Tension in some areas is increasing to unprecedented levels."

In Jordan, the authorities seized a ring of Jordanian extremists suspected of plotting mayhem with munitions from Syria, while Jordanian military skirmishes with suspected Islamic militants traversing the Syria-Jordan border left a Jordanian colonel dead — the first military casualty suffered by Jordan in connection with the Syria conflict since it began 19 months ago.

Fears that the Syrian uprising against President Bashar Assad could destabilize the Middle East have been growing for months as the conflict has aggravated sectarian tensions that cut across national boundaries and has sent more than 300,000 refugees spilling into Turkey, Iraq, Jordan and Lebanon. But those fears escalated sharply Friday when a large bomb obliterated a Beirut block, killing eight people including Brig. Gen. Wissam al-Hassan, a top Lebanese security official.

The blast was followed by a weekend of roadblocks, sporadic street protests and isolated clashes in Lebanon. Al-Hassan, the head of internal security, was a hero to many Sunni Muslims, Christians and others here for his efforts to expose assassinations and other political meddling by the Syrian government, which is a close ally of the politically dominant Lebanese Shiite militant group, Hezbollah.

Mourners at the general's funeral chanted against Assad and some waved the flags of the Free Syrian Army battling to oust him. Assad and much of the ruling elite belong to a sect considered an offshoot of Shiism, while the Free Syrian Army is dominated by Sunnis. And alongside the Syrian conflict, the car bombing that killed the general brought back smoldering grudges but also a feeling of dread left from Lebanon's own bloody, 15-year civil war.

By Monday night, Lebanese state media said that at least four people were dead, at least 20 injured and nearly 50 under arrest in connection with clashes set off by the Beirut bombing. Three of those killed and most of the injuries were in the northern city of Tripoli near the Syrian border, a flash point for both sides of Syria's sectarian divide.

In Washington on Monday, a State Department spokesman said that the United States would send an FBI team to help Lebanon investigate the bombing.

Nov. 6 election looms large for monetary policy

By Binyamin Appelbaum
THE NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — The next significant event for monetary policy is not the Federal Reserve's meeting Tuesday and Wednesday, which is likely to pass quietly, but the presidential election two weeks later.

Mitt Romney, the Republican nominee, has said he opposes the Fed's efforts to stimulate the economy as ineffective and inflationary. And as president, he has promised to appoint a new Fed chairman.

The term of the current chairman, Ben Bernanke, runs through early 2014. But the impact could be immediate as investors revise their assumptions about the future.

"I certainly would expect the markets to respond, that they will take this as the Fed being more hawkish and that will be reflected in rates," said Laurence H. Meyer, senior managing director at Macroeconomic Advisers and a former Fed governor.

Such a reversal would be welcomed by critics who argue that the Fed's efforts are undermining economic stability, and mourned by supporters who say more must be done to revive economic growth. But Meyer and others cautioned that the impact would not be fully felt until it became clear whom Romney intended to nominate as a successor to Bernanke.

A range of experts regard two of Romney's economic advisers as the most likely candidates: R. Glenn Hubbard, who chaired the Council of Economic Advisers under President George W. Bush, and N. Gregory Mankiw, who followed Hubbard in that role. John B. Taylor, a Stanford University economics professor and outspoken critic of Fed policy, also is mentioned frequently.

The choice of Taylor — or a like-minded critic — would represent a dramatic step to change the course of monetary policy. By contrast, Mankiw, an economist at Harvard University, and Hubbard, dean of the Columbia University business school, both are seen as centrists.

"If people really do think it would be Taylor, I would think that would interfere" with the Fed's ability to influence markets, said Joseph E. Gagnon, a senior fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics and a former Fed economist. "But if it's not Taylor, I don't think it would have such a large effect."

The Fed announced its latest stimulus campaign in September. The central bank said it would purchase mortgage securities at a rate of $40 billion a month until it concluded that the outlook for the labor market had improved "substantially." It also said it intended to keep short-term interest rates near zero at least until mid-2015, extending its previous forecast from late 2014.

WEATHER

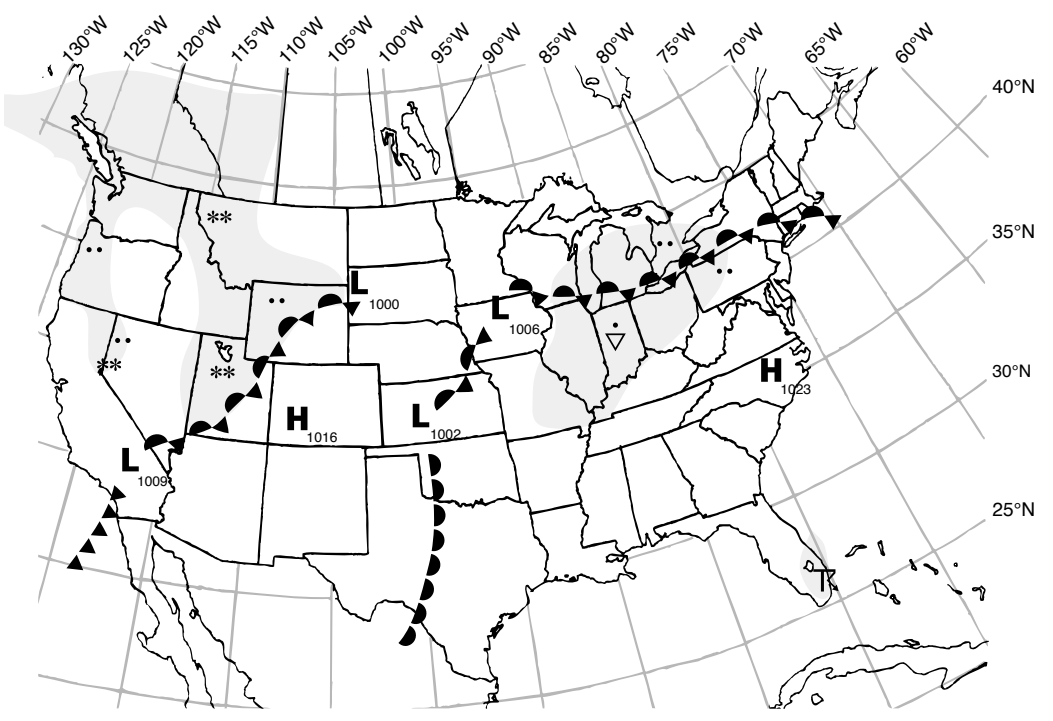
Seasonable weather in store for Boston

By Allison A. Wing
STAFF METEOROLOGIST

Last Friday's muggy and wet weather provided a bit of a messy start to the weekend, but the weather rebounded to provide New England with gorgeous weather for the rest of the weekend into the beginning of this week. With sunny skies and above average temperatures, it was a great weekend to get outside, as the crowds at the Head of the Charles Regatta would surely agree. In fact, Saturday's high temperature of 74°F was a whopping 14°F above normal! A warm front will approach the region tonight and tomorrow, so some light rain is possible tomorrow. However, a blocking pattern will keep the warm front to our south. With a high pressure from Canada in control, seasonable temperatures are in store for this week, with highs around 60°F.

Extended Forecast

Today: Partly cloudy. High 63°F (18°C). Winds from the northwest at 7–10 mph.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy. Low 47°F (8°C). Winds from the north at 5–8 mph.
Tomorrow: Partly sunny with a slight chance of showers. High 59°F (15°C). Low 49°F (9°C). Winds from the east at 5–10 mph.
Thursday: Partly cloudy. High 59°F (15°C). Low 49°F (9°C). Winds from the east at 5–10 mph.
Friday: Mostly sunny. High 66°F (19°C). Low 50°F (10°C) Winds from the southwest at 5–10 mph.



Situation for Noon Eastern Time, Tuesday, October 23, 2012

Weather Systems	Weather Fronts	Precipitation Symbols			Other Symbols
			Snow	Rain	
H High Pressure	Trough	Showers	✻ ▽		Fog
L Low Pressure	Warm Front	Light	✻	•	Thunderstorm
§ Hurricane	Cold Front	Moderate	✻✻	••	Haze
	Stationary Front	Heavy	⁂	∴	Compiled by MIT Meteorology Staff and *The Tech*

China's slowing economy puts pressure on US exporters

By Nelson D. Schwartz
THE NEW YORK TIMES

As China's economy cools, U.S. exporters are increasingly feeling the chill.

Cummins, the big Indiana engine maker, lowered its revenue forecast earlier this month and said it would eliminate 1,000 to 1,500 jobs by the end of the year, citing weak demand from China as a major reason. Schnitzer Steel Industries, a Portland, Ore., firm that is one of the nation's biggest metal recyclers, is cutting 300 jobs, or 7 percent of its work force, as scrap exports to China plunge. And on Monday, Caterpillar reported lower sales in China and cut its global outlook for 2012.

Job reductions are hitting industries like mining, heavy machinery and scrap metal that prospered as China boomed, illustrating some of the risks to the broader U.S. economy if growth continues to slow in what is now the world's second-largest economy. Last week the Chinese government announced that gross domestic product grew at an annual rate of 7.4 percent in the third quarter, the slowest pace in more than three years.

Even as the presidential candidates try to outdo each other in promising to get tough on Chinese exports to protect U.S. jobs, experts say the more immediate threat to American workers may actually be the slowing of sales to China, which has bid up the price of much of what the United States sent overseas in recent years.

Overall, China's growth is expected to decelerate to 7.7 percent this year from last year's breakneck 9.3 percent pace, adding to fears of a global slowdown, especially with much of Europe in recession and the economic recovery in the United States stubbornly anemic.

Already, softening demand has clipped U.S. exports.

"There's definitely been an effect from slowing exports to China on U.S. exports," said Dean Maki, chief United States economist at Barclays. According to his analysis, the drop in exports to China alone is responsible for shaving 0.1 to 0.2 percentage points off the growth rate for the U.S. economy, which expanded at an annualized rate of 1.3 percent in the second quarter.

The recent slowdown in export growth has probably contributed to the loss of 38,000 jobs in the U.S. manufacturing sector since July, while the overall job market has improved and the unemployment rate has fallen. The decline has been striking because exports, along with manufacturing, have been relative bright spots since the end of the recession.

Wall Street will be looking for further signals about Chinese demand Tuesday, as export-dependent giants like 3M and DuPont report their latest results and discuss their business outlook. Earlier, Alcoa, the first such major company to report third-quarter earnings, slightly lowered its estimate for global growth in aluminum demand because of slowing sales in China for products like trucks, trailers and aluminum cans earlier this month.

On Monday, Caterpillar became the latest company to confirm that after a long boom, business in China is down.

Despite push for austerity, EU debt has soared

By Landon Thomas Jr. and David Jolly
THE NEW YORK TIMES

LONDON — As Greece and its international lenders continue tense talks on reducing the Greek budget deficit, new data from the European Union on Monday underscored the potentially Sisyphean nature of such efforts.

Some of the countries that have made the most progress in closing their budget gaps — Greece in particular — have also had their overall debt loads actually get bigger as a percentage of the economy, according to data released by Eurostat, the European Union's data agency.

A recent report from the International Monetary Fund, one of Greece's international creditors, reached a similar conclusion. That helps explain why the IMF has started adopting a less austere stance toward debtor countries, even as countries like Germany continue to take a hard fiscal line, insisting that Athens stick to a program of lower spending and higher taxes.

Critics of the eurozone's austerity push have argued against it as counterproductive. But the new data provide perhaps the starkest, most objective picture yet of the mounting burdens shouldered by countries like Greece, Ireland and Portugal that have accepted bailouts, as well as Spain, which may soon need to accept its own strings-attached European aid.

The economies of all four countries have contracted sharply under the austerity regimes — Greece's by one-fourth since 2009. But the size of the debts relative to economic output has soared. That raises serious questions about their ability to repay those obligations over time.

"If you want to make its debt burden sustainable, there will have to be some kind of debt forgiveness and restructuring," Jorg Kramer, chief economist at Commerzbank in Frankfurt, said of Greece.

For now, though, the Greek government apparently sees little choice but to continue working out a 13.5 billion euros, or $17.6 billion, austerity package and a raft of changes to labor laws that its so-called troika of international creditors have demanded before releasing the next installment of bailout loans. Negotiations continued Monday in Athens with the troika: the IMF, the European Central Bank and the European Commission.

The Greek finance minister, Yannis Stournaras, told the economic affairs committee in Parliament on Monday that the new austerity package must be approved quickly so that Greece can secure crucial rescue funding. "The cost of us not getting the tranche would be huge," he said. "People would go hungry."

Many analysts and economists, though, say the most diligent deficit reduction programs will do little to bring down debt levels as long as economies are not growing and the interest rates that these countries pay on their debt remain high.

South Korea bars leaflet drop over border with North

By Choe Sang-hun
THE NEW YORK TIMES

SEOUL, South Korea — Activists said Monday that they had succeeded in sending large balloons drifting into North Korea carrying tens of thousands of leaflets, despite South Korean police efforts to block the action and a threat from the North Korean government to retaliate with a military attack.

The threat of a military clash prompted the South Korean authorities to block the activists, mostly defectors from North Korea, from reaching Imjingak, a border village northwest of Seoul, where they had planned to release the balloons. Hundreds of South Korean farmers living in nearby villages were ordered to go to bomb shelters, and the alert level was raised all along the border.

But the activists said later that they had eluded police and released the balloons from an island west of Seoul instead.

It was not immediately clear whether the balloons successfully scattered the leaflets over the isolated North, where the government struggles to keep nearly total control on its impoverished populace and bristles at any intrusion of outside news or opinion. There was no immediate response from North Korea.

Activist leaflets typically discuss the vast gaps between the economies and living standards in the North and the South, include lurid accounts of the luxuries that the North Korean ruling family enjoys and contradict the North's official history books, which claim that the Korean War was started by the United States rather than by the North's invasion of the South in 1950. Some leaflets carry Christian messages.

"We could not delay our plans to send the leaflets, because they carry our promise and love for our North Korean brothers," the activists said on the website of Free North Korea Radio, a Seoul group that broadcasts outside news into the North.

Kim Seong-min, the head of the radio group and a leader of the leaflet campaign, criticized the South Korean authorities for blocking the activists from releasing balloons in the border village.

"South Korea is retreating under a North Korean threat," he said. "Once you retreat under this kind of blackmail, you will continue to be pushed back."

The North Korean threat of retaliation, issued Friday, was hardly unprecedented. Recently, the North has threatened to attack the Seoul office of President Lee Myung-bak, whom it has called a rat, and vowed to bombard the offices of major newspapers and television stations in the South that criticize the North.

Still, South Korean police took the threat seriously, erecting roadblocks, banning tourists and journalists from the area, and scuffling briefly with activists who tried to barge through their cordon.

Dominion to close Wisconsin nuclear plant

WASHINGTON — The owners of a small nuclear reactor in Wisconsin said Monday that they would close the Kewaunee Power Station early next year because they were unable to sell it and it was no longer economically viable.

The decision was viewed as an early sign that the wave of retirements of old generating stations across the Midwest is now stretching from the coal industry into nuclear power, driven by slack demand for energy and the low price of natural gas.

After receiving a 20-year extension from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in February 2011 to continue operating Kewaunee, Dominion, based in Richmond, Va., put the power station up for sale. At 556 megawatts, it is about half the size of the largest plants now operating and is the only reactor at the Carlton, Wis., site, rendering costs higher per unit of power than sites with two reactors. Dominion had hoped to buy several reactors in the Midwest that could share some overhead expenses with Kewaunee, but did not succeed.

"This was an extremely difficult decision, especially in light of how well the station is running and the dedication of the employees," said Thomas F. Farrell II, Dominion's chairman, president and chief executive, in a statement. "This decision was based purely on economics."

—Matthew L. Wald, The New York Times

Error-filled instructions are sent to Ohio voters

A Republican-run election board in a northern Ohio county sent out voting instructions to several precincts with the wrong date for Election Day and an incorrect description of the polling place location, leading state Democrats to suggest foul play in a presidential race that could be decided in a handful of states like Ohio by tiny margins.

The Ottawa County Board of Elections sent a mailer to three precincts last week referring to Election Day as Nov. 8, instead of Nov. 6, and said their new voting place was in a building on the east side of the high school rather than on its west side.

The Ohio Democratic Party issued a statement saying, "This error is deeply troubling." A party spokesman, Jerid Kurtz, said it was "paramount that voters not be misled" and asked the board not only to issue a correction but also to review all its correspondence with voters from the past year.

JoAnn Friar, director of the county's elections board, said that the error was unintentional and that a corrected version was being edited and would be sent out promptly.

—Ethan Bronner, The New York Times

Audit of SUNY foundation finds financial abuses

A former senior official at the Research Foundation for the State University of New York used his foundation credit card to pay for nearly $131,000 in hockey tickets, iPhones, Godiva chocolates, groceries and other personal expenses, according to an audit released Monday.

The review, by the state comptroller, Thomas P. DiNapoli, also questioned why foundation money had been used to pay for a private club membership for the chancellor of the State University system, Nancy L. Zimpher, and for alcoholic beverages at functions hosted by her office.

And it raised broader concerns about weak controls over spending and procurement at the foundation, which supports nearly $1 billion in research across the State University system each year.

"For too long, SUNY Research Foundation employees took advantage of lax oversight to cheat taxpayers, skirt state laws and violate the foundation's own policies," DiNapoli said in a statement.

The audit comes almost 17 months after the president of the research foundation, John J. O'Connor, resigned under scrutiny. The state ethics commission had accused him of giving a no-show job to Susan Bruno, the daughter of a former State Senate majority leader, Joseph L. Bruno; DiNapoli's office said it had referred questions regarding Bruno's employment to the attorney general's office.

—Thomas Kaplan, The New York Times

Amazon cloud service goes down

Amazon's data centers in Northern Virginia crashed Monday afternoon, taking with it a number of popular websites, from Someecards, the quirky e-card company, to mobile applications like Flipboard and Foursquare.

Amazon reported having problems with the data centers in Northern Virginia. Those problems appear to have had a ripple effect across the Internet with several sites hosted on Amazon's popular EC2 cloud hosting service also reporting problems.

Several frustrated customers took to Twitter on Monday to complain that they could not get access to websites including Foursquare, turntable.fm and Flipboard.

It appears that some of the affected services then affected services that, in turn, ran on them. Because they are all hosted on Amazon's cloud service, there is a ripple effect. They all go down when the original hosting servers go down.

Last June, an electrical storm caused problems at the same Northern Virginia data centers and took down sites including Netflix, Pinterest and Instagram for a weekend.

The companies that were affected by the latest shutdown were scrambling to respond.

"Like many other services, we've been taken down by the outage," said Erin Gleason, a spokeswoman for Foursquare, the mobile check-in service. "Both the site and the app are inaccessible right now."

Gleason said the company was still awaiting guidance and updates from Amazon about when its service might be restored.

"Hoping to get things back up and running ASAP," she said.

Amazon has not yet responded to requests for comment.

—Nicole Perlroth, The New York Times

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Bold solutions vs. petty attacks

The president's campaign has failed to deliver a substantive message

By A.J. Edelman
STAFF COLUMNIST

"Vote like your ladyparts depend on it." This is the message that greeted users browsing the Obama campaign website the day before the first presidential debate. The message was clear, and it was petty. If you saw the message and thought "gee, how becoming of the president. How grand a message," you were one of very few.

Sometimes in politics, fortunes change abruptly. Yet sometimes political fortunes slowly slip away, and a campaign is left to wonder, at the end of the road, "what could have been?" For the Obama/Biden 2012 campaign, the case is very much the latter. In 13 days, voters will go to the polls and cast their ballots. If the president loses, it will have been the result of what can best be described as political malpractice. It is a tenet of political campaigns that a candidate must consistently "stay on message," hammering home a central theme in stump speeches, debates, fundraisers, and other events. That is why you may hear a candidate repeat the same line ten times, or repeat the same argument in a debate.

Yet while former Governor Romney executed this plan impressively, sticking to the sluggish economy and foreign policy issues, the Obama message was usually a distraction, not an issue. "Ladyparts" was just one of many distractions, as the Obama campaign consistently resorted to attacks on Romney, or refused to disavow attacks made by its political allies. While Romney addressed the failed stimulus, the Obama campaign attacked Romney's success. When Romney spoke of Medicare reform, the DNC ran ads attacking Romney's tax returns and featured Ann Romney's dressage horse, which she used for her multiple sclerosis therapy. While there is no evidence that the Obama campaign collaborated with the DNC to make the ad, the campaign still failed to disavow the ad. When a pro-Obama SuperPAC ran an ad suggesting that Romney was responsible for the death of a steel worker's wife, it took nearly two weeks for the Obama campaign to disavow the shameful scare tactic. While Romney proposed a five-point economic plan, Obama made contraception a major issue by inviting Sandra Fluke to speak at campaign events.

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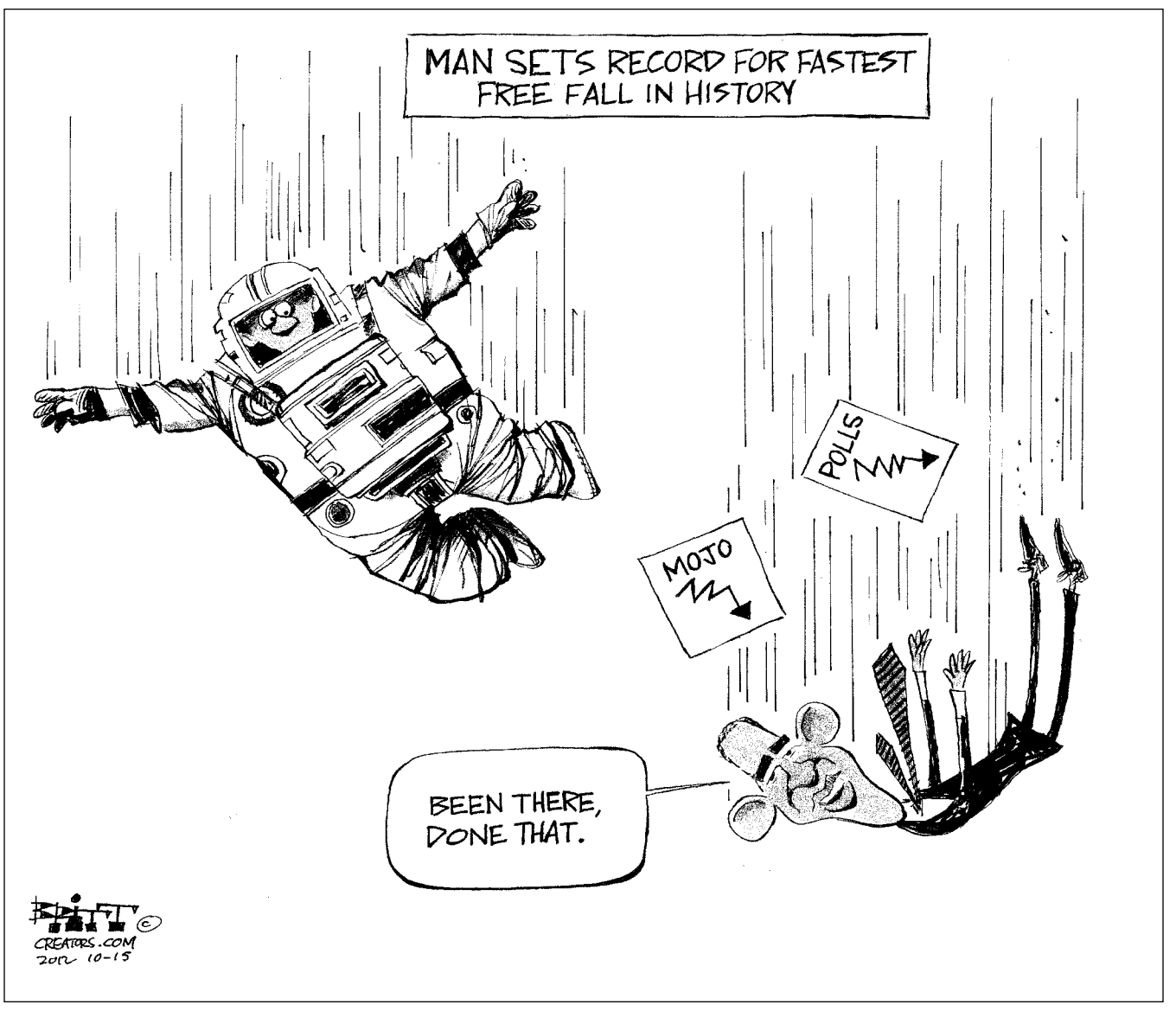
While Romney spoke about the deficit, the Obama campaign suggested Romney was either a liar or a felon for not releasing his tax returns. Romney addressed currency manipulation as Obama insisted that Romney held investments in the Cayman Islands and China. It is worth noting that the president makes similar investments, although these investments were made indirectly through an Illinois accounting firm.

On Friday, Romney slammed Obama's "incredible shrinking campaign," adding that "this is a big country with big opportunities and big challenges. And they keep talking about smaller and smaller things." The trend continued following the first presidential debate, as the president made Big Bird a central focus of his campaign. And as democratic strategists threw up their arms and Romney continued to surge in the polls, you would have thought that it was clearly time for the Obama campaign to shift its message to more substantive issues. But old habits die hard.

During the second debate, Romney mentioned that he was given binders full of qualified women for consideration in his cabinet by women's groups. This statement, while not artfully worded, carried a clear message in response to an important question. But the following day, the Obama campaign had found a new distraction of the week: "binders full of women." Biden waved a binder around during a campaign stop, while Obama has brought up the issue on multiple campaign stops.

If, in 13 days, America elects a new president, it will not be the result of a single debate, nor any other isolated incident. Voters will have chosen vision over distraction.



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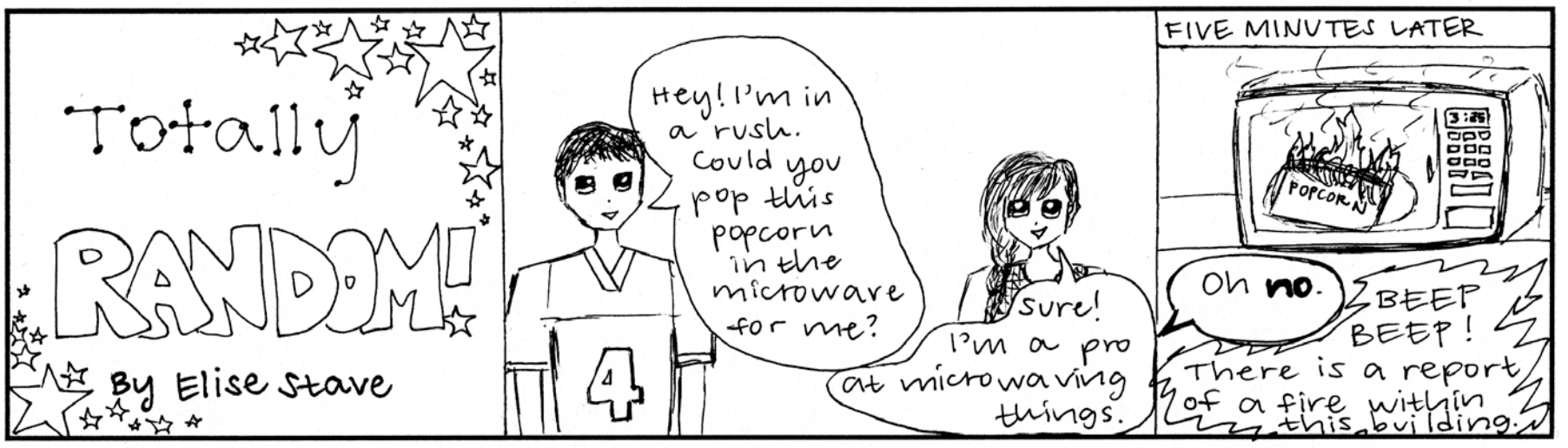

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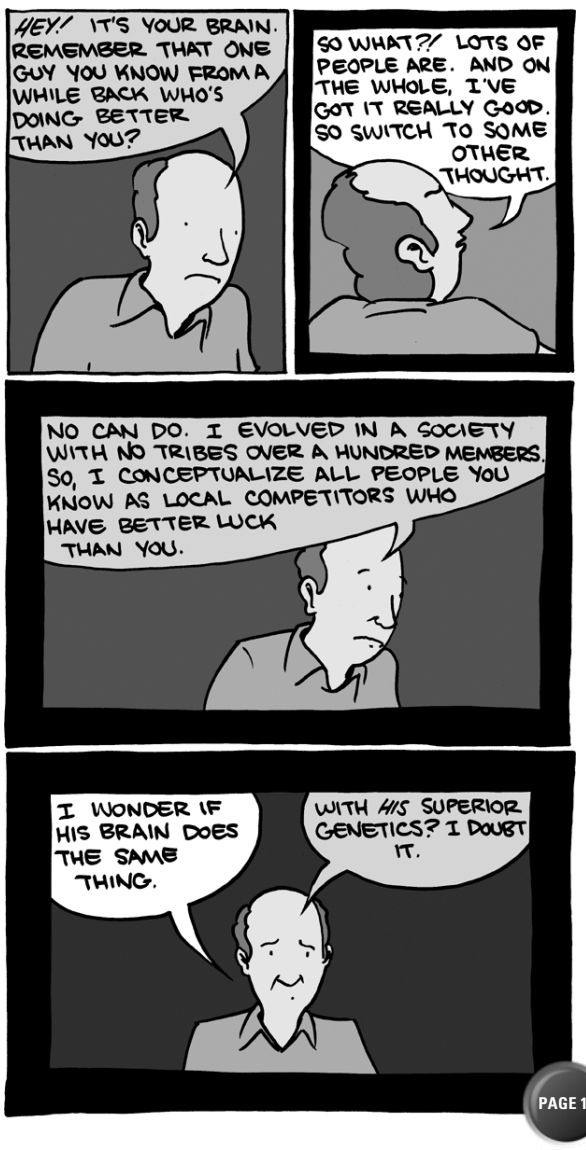

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Let's Have Tea by Gail Grabowski

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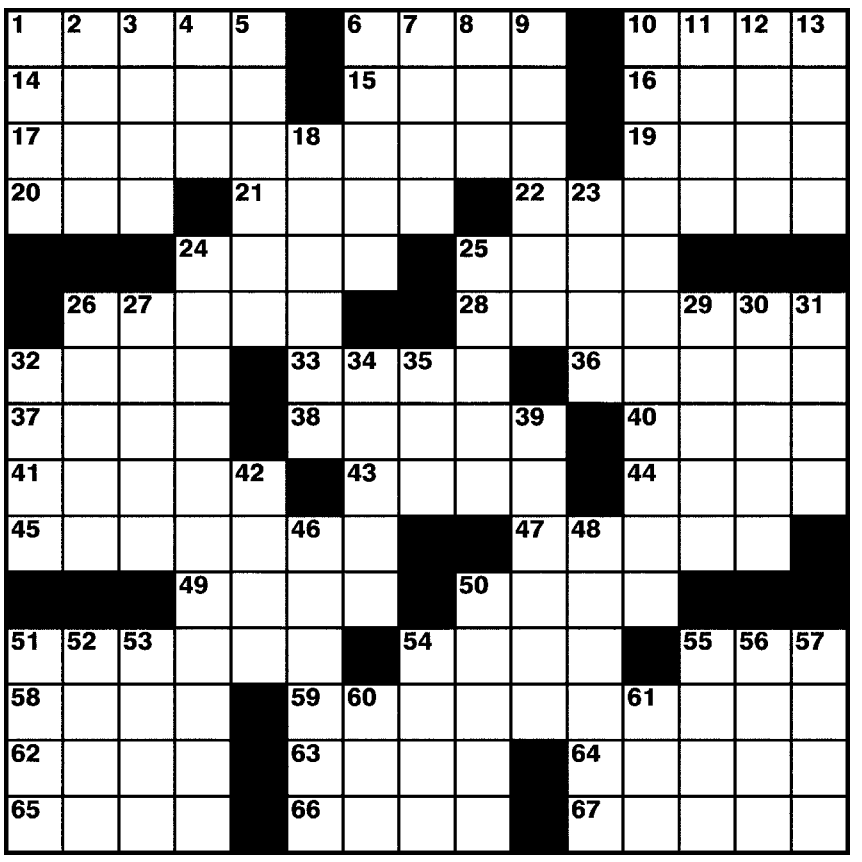

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60-second pitches

Elevator pitch contest concludes

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pany. He excused himself from class so often that the principal at his high school contacted his parents with concern. "My dad was sure that I was dealing drugs," he joked. "But I convinced him that I just had a bladder infection." Such was the humble beginning of the company that he eventually sold for $1.5 million while still in high school.

In his talk, Fazal reflected on his experiences as an entrepreneur and offered several lessons to those considering starting their own companies. He stressed the importance of trying to "create lasting value" and finding the right cofounder, among other pieces of advice.

Following the keynote, twelve finalists had 60 seconds each to pitch their startup ideas. The first place prize of $5000 went to Andrea Glaco with 3dim, a 3-D cellular phone photo imaging technology that allows users to take 3-D pictures with their cellphones. Runner-up Josh Adler with Moses Membranes was also chosen as the Audience Choice Award winner, for the company's graphene nanotechnology that filters the toxic byproduct of fracturing in a rock layer and returns the water to the environment. Manoah Koletty with Bluelight was the second runner up, for the company's SMS technology that allows the poor to purchase products without paying high interest rates.

JINGYUN FAN—THE TECH

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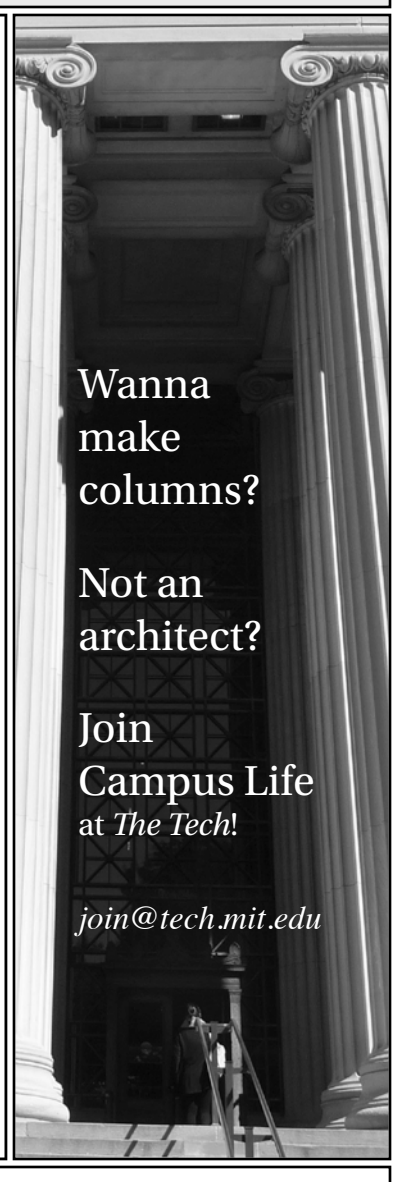

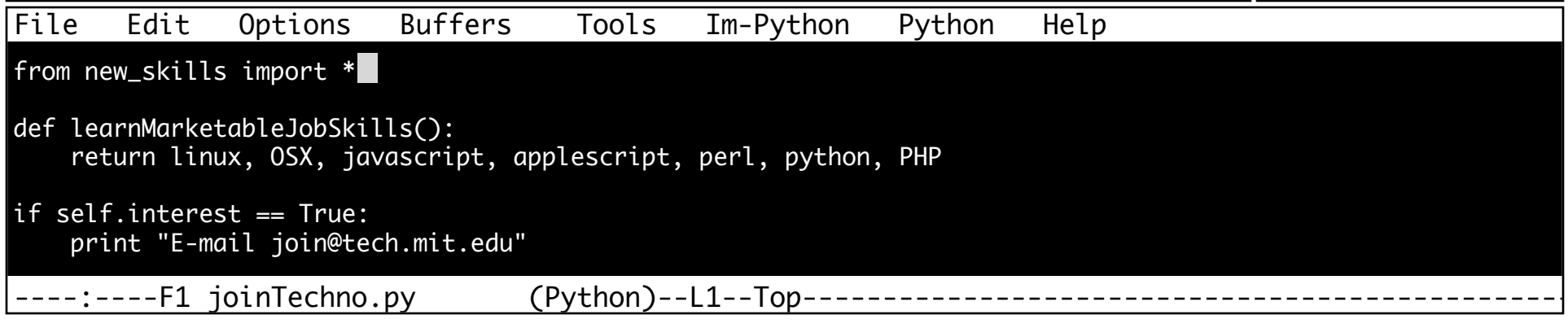
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Workers want MIT to endorse boycott

Hotel workers consider joining local union, protest labor practices

Boycott, from Page 1

"There is often no concierge, bell boy, or phone operator," said Nichols. "This forces workers at the front desk to essentially work up to five different jobs at once" while receiving no additional pay.

Workers also expressed concerns surrounding increases in their health insurance premiums. At a recent Cambridge City Council meeting, the workers testified that these increases are so exorbitant that they can no longer afford the company's insurance and have resorted to enrolling in the state health insurance program, MassHealth.

Speaking by telephone, Wade Gates, a spokesman of HEI Hotels, responded to those claims, saying that "healthcare costs are going up for everyone, not just our organization."

In an effort to address these and other complaints, 70 percent of workers at the hotel signed a document requesting that the hotel management maintain a neutral stance while workers debated whether or not to join Local 26, the Boston union of hospitality workers. As part of this neutrality, the hotel management would agree not to harass or fire employees in an attempt to deter unionization.

According to Nichols, the workers tried to deliver their neutrality request to the hotel's general manager and director of human resources on Mar. 7. The management locked their doors and refused to accept the request, which was then later sent to them via mail, said Nichols and Brian Lang, president of Local 26.

According to Nichols, the hotel management refused to accept the request.

Gates refutes Nichols' statement that the hotel management was unresponsive to their requests. "We have an open door process and culture," said Gates. "We believe in building an employee culture of respect, and we respect the regulations set forth by the National Labor Relations Board which specify that employees must hold elections in order to join the union. Hotel employees have not yet held elections, but if they choose to do so, we will respect that process and the outcome."

Before proceeding with elections or other unionization related activities, workers at Le Méridien want a written agreement from management specifying that they will remain neutral during a potential unionization process. The failure to provide such an agreement has led workers to take further actions. On Oct. 11, they organized a picket line at the Hotel. With more than 200 attendees, Lang reported that picketers marched from Le Méridien Hotel to the Cambridge City Hall where they were received by City Councillors who agreed to support the workers' efforts to improve their working conditions.

[Labor complaints] have led many major universities to preclude further investment in HEI.

At the Cambridge City Council meeting held on Oct. 15, the City Council voted unanimously to pass an order which instructs "the city manager and all city departments to boycott the services provided by HEI Le Méridien Cambridge." According to the City Council minutes from Oct. 15, the Council normally holds festivities at Le Méridien "every other year following its swearing in ceremony." The Council will cease to hold this particular event as well as all others at the hotel until "HEI changes its practices and treats its workers with the dignity and respect they deserve."

HEI Hotels has come under fire before for labor complaints. This has led many major universities to preclude further investment in HEI. According to an article published in The Crimson in April 2012, Harvard Management, which manages Harvard University's endowment, announced that it would no longer continue to invest with the company due to these complaints. A report by the organization HEI Workers Rising! specifies that Harvard's previous investments in HEI had totaled some $70 million.

The Crimson report further states that within the last year Princeton, Yale, Brown, the University of Pennsylvania, Cornell, Vanderbilt, and Swarthmore have all announced that they will not continue to invest funds in the company.

According to Lang, Le Méridien workers will continue in their efforts to draw MIT's attention to potential labor abuses at the hotel.

"The workers at Le Méridien are going to continue active outreach to get individuals not to eat, sleep, or hold meetings in the hotel. They would like MIT to participate and respond by endorsing these efforts."

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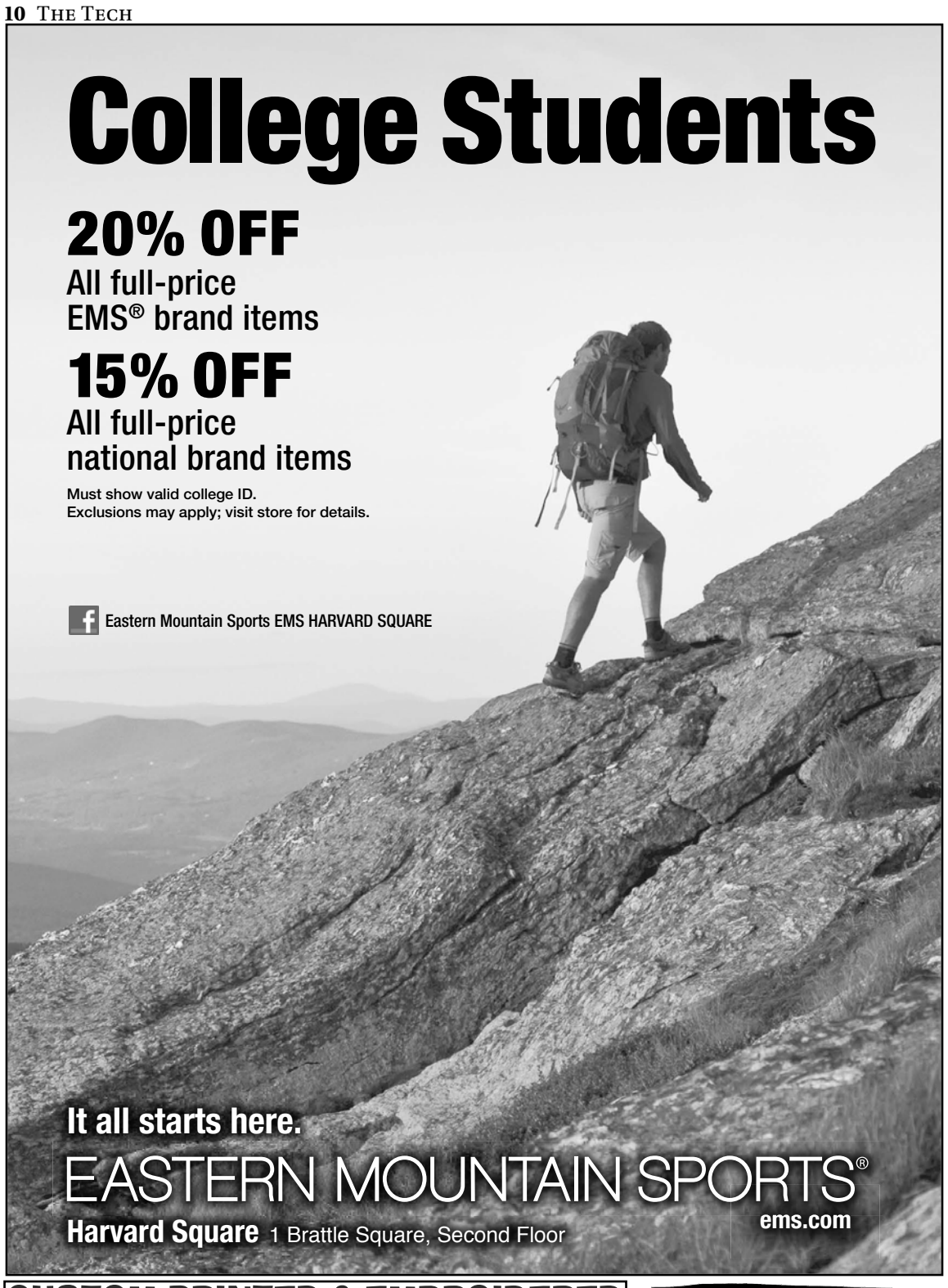

More light shed on health violations

Mass. health department releases meningitis outbreak documents

By Sabrina Tavernise and Andrew Pollack
THE NEW YORK TIMES

The Massachusetts Department of Health released hundreds of pages of documents Monday detailing a history of violations at the New England Compounding Center, whose tainted medicine has caused a nationwide meningitis outbreak. The documents include dozens of complaints from as early as April 1999, less than a year after the company began as a compounding pharmacy in Framingham, Mass.

The documents provide a window into regulators' attempts to crack down.

Among the most frequently cited problems was the company's habit of allowing doctor's offices to fax orders for medicine without names of specific patients, a practice that is prohibited under state law. The company was also repeatedly cited for not providing the appropriate data to support its medicines' expiration dates. All violations were eventually corrected.

The documents, released in response to requests from journalists, provide a window into regulators' attempts to crack down on problems at the company, and the company's efforts to correct them.

The reports were released as the number of meningitis cases related to the spinal injection of a steroid drug from the pharmacy that was contaminated with mold rose to 294. Three joint infections have also been linked to the shots, and 23 people have died.

State officials inspected the company at least three times in 2004, finding a variety of violations. The records show that a lawyer for the company pleaded with officials, saying that if they brought disciplinary action, the consequences "would be fatal to the business" and trigger a "catastrophe." An outside auditor was assigned to see that the company corrected its procedures, and eventually the company was cleared by the state.

In January 2006, the company and the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy signed a consent agreement in which the company and its chief pharmacist and co-owner, Barry J. Cadden, were to be placed on a one-year probation. However, the board agreed to delay the start of the probation for one year to give the company a chance to undergo two inspections and make improvements.

A few months later the state-appointed inspector said that the center had made significant progress. It does not appear it was placed on probation. Also Monday, the Food and Drug Administration posted on its website lists of the customers of the New England Compounding Center and of the products they bought. The customer list is 28 pages long and shows hospitals and clinics in every state except Missouri, and in the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

State officials inspected the company and found a variety of violations in 2004.

The facilities include an array of small clinics and surgery centers, but also some major hospitals. In New York, for instance, the Beth Israel Medical Center, Montefiore Medical Center and Long Island Jewish-North Shore University Hospital appear on the list. Also on the list are Brigham and Women's Hospital and Boston Children's Hospital, in Boston; a hospital in Eau Claire, Wis., that is part of the Mayo Clinic system; Yale-New Haven Hospital in Connecticut, and the Naval Medical Center in Portsmouth, Va.

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IT'S ALL GREEK TO ME

Leading by example

Being a sorority leader teaches important lessons

By Maria Elena Martinez

When I went through sorority recruitment and asked about the time commitment, I kept being told "what you get out of your experience is related to what you are willing to put in." While it sounded very vague at the time, I quickly understood what they meant when I decided to try leadership positions in Pi Beta Phi.

Sororities are very focused on the development of their members and want to spot future leaders early on. For this reason, they offer many opportunities for the younger girls to take command. The older sisters in leadership roles become these younger girls' role models; they inspire them to one day stand in their shoes and take responsibility for the excellence of the chapter. My sorority big sister and her big sister were both new member educators for my class. I remember looking up to them and wanting to be as involved as they were.

During my new member period, I was part of the committee on chapter morale and got involved in the Jr. Panhellenic Association, which allowed me to interact with emerging leaders from other chapters by participating in each other's philanthropic events as a group and planning activities for the new members. Then I decided to aim higher and applied for my chapter's executive board, becoming the new member educator. I was thrilled to share what I had just learned about my sorority with the next new member class and have been a leader in my chapter ever since.

One important thing that being a sorority leader has taught me is that motivating the most active members is not always the most effective strategy. When I led new member meetings, I usually rewarded those who consistently showed up, but this policy ignored the people who were too busy to come to meetings. We decided as an exec board that we were going to work on "motivating the middle" and reaching out to those sisters who couldn't make it to chapter meetings or events all the time. Those who came every time were going to keep coming because they liked it. Other sisters just needed some encouragement and a little "push" to make them realize how easy and enjoyable it was to participate. We had active sisters who were close to infrequently-attending members reach out personally and invite them to walk together to chapter, or meet for dinner before an activity, or simply just tell them that we missed seeing them around. Our attendance records have improved greatly since then.

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Being a leader isn't all easy. One of the hardest things is knowing when to act as a friend and when to act as an officer. The line between those two roles can be very thin, especially when you are working with confidential information or laying down rules. When I was matching big and little sisters I had to put aside what I had heard my friends say about who they wanted to be matched with and instead go with the preferences of both parties to maximize happiness. This was one of my most difficult situations because I wanted all my sisters to end up pleased with my decisions.

As a leader in an established organization, you get to work with people who share your same interests and passion. Even though there is a set governmental structure, you all still work together as a "united front" towards the same goals. This makes for an atmosphere where you are more willing to commit your time towards the betterment of the organization, and makes work a privilege rather than an obligation. In my case, it also gives me the sense of security that sisterhood entails. I am not as afraid to make mistakes, allowing me to go the extra mile.

One of the best experiences as a leader in my chapter has been leading all the new members through their new member program, teaching them about the sorority, showing them what I'm passionate about, seeing them get involved in the chapter, and attending their initiations. Even though I'm not officially responsible for them after they are initiated, I can't help but offer advice and feel proud when one of them decides to take on a leadership role in the chapter.

I encourage everyone to start getting involved in organizations they're interested in and ask about leadership opportunities. Serving my chapter has benefited me greatly, both emotionally and educationally, and I am so grateful to them for giving me that opportunity. The skills my sorority taught me have come in handy in choosing my career path, and I believe they have made me a better person. It is the little things like flowers at chapter after planning, executing initiation, and grateful comments that make serving the chapter so rewarding.

EVENTS OCT. 23 – OCT. 29

TUESDAY

(4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) The Other Euro Crisis: Refugee Rights Violations and the Unraveling of EU Solidarity — E51-275

(7:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) What Our MIT Chaplains Believe — W11-Main Dining Room

WEDNESDAY

(4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) The World at Night: One People, One Sky! astronomy photos by Babak A. Tafreshi — 54-100

(6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) Urban Films: *Manufactured Landscapes* documentary showing — 7-429

THURSDAY

(5:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.) Why I Write Poems: Linda Gregerson presents poetry book The Selvage — 37-252

(7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) Match Made in Hell? Citizens United and a Return to "Traditional American Values" — 6-120

FRIDAY

(7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.) The Anime Club shows Mouretsu Pirates and Princess Jellyfish — 3-133

SATURDAY

(6:30 p.m.) MIT-Harvard Halloween Party: Mad Science — NW-10, Edgerton

(7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.) The Don Byron New Gospel Quintet — Kresge Auditorium

SUNDAY

(4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) MITHAS presents Alamel Valli, Bharatnatyam — Kresge Auditorium

(8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.) Lorelei Ensemble: Re-Turn concert — MIT Chapel

MONDAY

(6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) NFC Event: Mobile Wallet Wars and Warriors — 34-101

(7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) Reconsidering Handsworth Songs: talk by MIT Visiting Artist John Akomfrah and Lina Gopaul — E15-070

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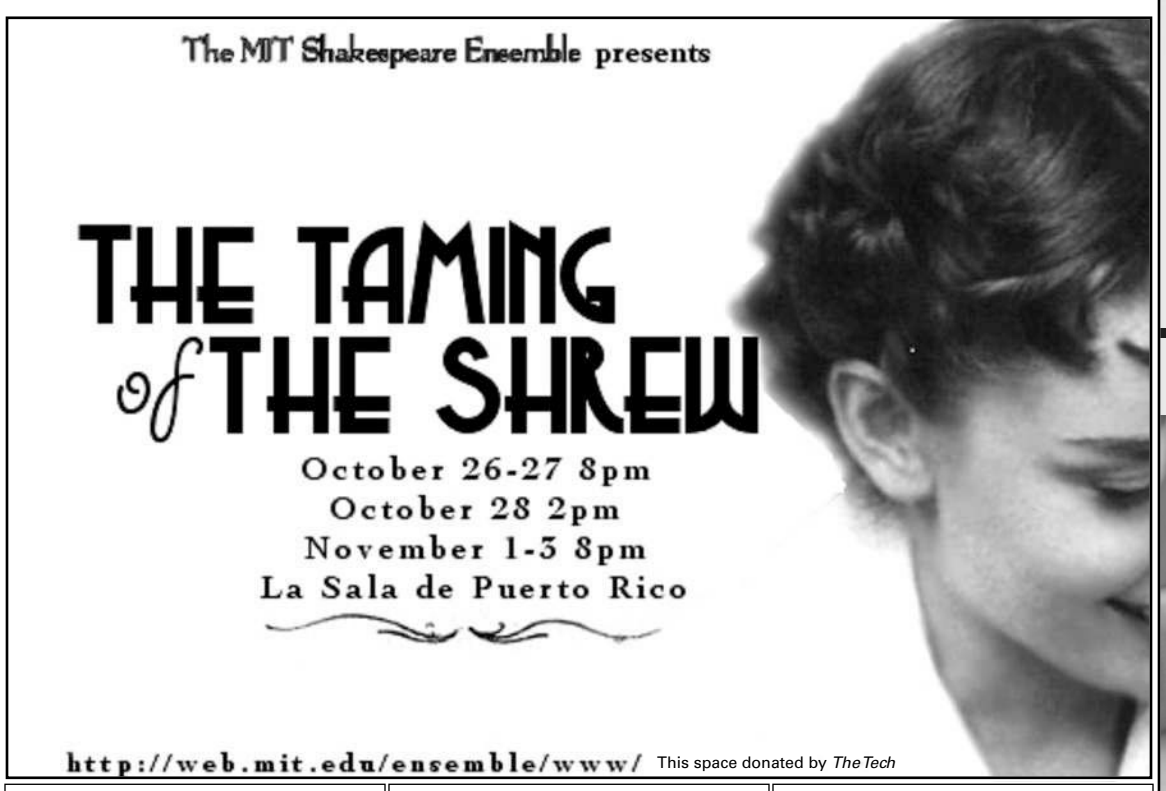

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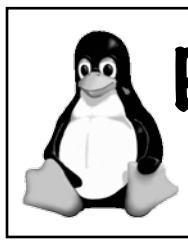
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PRIYA GARG—THE TECH

The 48th Head of the Charles Regatta, the world's largest two-day rowing event, occurred this past weekend. MIT, which is ranked Division 1 in crew, had teams competing in events throughout the weekend. Here, the MIT men's lightweight crew team warms up in preparation for a race early Sunday evening.

Women's soccer victorious

Coast Guard Academy falls 3-1 on Saturday

By Charlotte Brackett
DAPER STAFF

In an exciting game that left them a goal behind at the start of the second half, the MIT women's soccer team went on to defeat the Coast Guard Academy, 3-1, on a sunny Saturday afternoon following senior day. Jennifer R. Ibanez '16 scored the game-winning goal in the 75th minute of play. The Engineers are now 12-3-1 for the season and 7-1 in NEWMAC play, while the Bears fell to 2-12 and 0-8 in conference play.

Just 21 seconds into the first half, Casandra N. Ceri '13 took a shot at goal, revealing the pace at which the game was moving right from the very beginning. In the first half alone, MIT took 25 shots at net, compared to just four from the Bears. Goalkeeper Devin Fellman saved 11 of these shots in the first 34 minutes, while goalie Meghan S. Wright '13 only saved one. In the 39th minute, Emily Marks put the Bears on the board when she sent the ball flying into the top left corner of the net off a free kick, giving them an edge over the Engineers.

Trailing a goal behind, MIT turned it into overdrive, forcing Fellman to make six saves in the first 18 minutes. Finally, in the 65th minute, the Engineers tied up the game on an own goal. Andrea Y. Park '13 (Irvine, Calif.) lobbed the ball at the net following a foul and the ball deflected off one of the Coast Guard players and went into the net. Ten minutes later, Ibanez scored her fourth goal of the season when she made it past the defenders and shot from ten yards out, sending the ball into the top left corner. A mere seven minutes later, Emily Kuo '13 scored the third and final goal of the game after a cross from Samantha A. Fleischmann '14. This was Kuo's 11th goal of the season and the 40th in her career. With less than eight minutes remaining on the clock, the Bears were not able to close the gap and the game ended with an MIT victory of 3-1.

In the second half, the Engineers took another 20 shots at the net, nine of which were saved by Fellman, crediting her with an impressive 20 saves throughout the entire game, while Wright made just one save the entire game.

MIT will close its regular season on Saturday, Oct. 27 at Smith, while Coast Guard will travel to St. Joseph's (Conn.) on Tuesday, Oct. 23.

UPCOMING HOME EVENTS

Tuesday, Oct. 23
Women's Volleyball vs. Wellesley College — *7:00 p.m., Rockwell Cage*

Thursday, Oct. 25
Field Hockey vs. University of New England — *6:00 p.m., Jack Barry Field*

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